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New record for vintage sled show

VICKI BROOKER
 Review Staff

A warm, sunny morning brought out a record number of participants for Elk Point Trail Riders' 2016 Vintage Snowmobile Show, with 90 participants registered for the event.

Parking was at a premium in all directions from the Iron Horse Trail Staging Area as numerous spectators gathered to admire the lineup of sleds dating back as far as 1967 and vote for their favourites, as well as to take part in a special fundraising event. The entire Midget Avalanche hockey team, who are headed to Provincials in Provost this weekend, was auctioned off to the highest bidders, who will have these energetic young men's assistance for four hours of work after the end of the hockey season. Bernie Poiras coaxed a total of \$1,885 in bids from the successful buyers, to help defray the team's travel expenses.

The auctioneer's calls were soon replaced by the sound of revving engines as snowmobile enthusiasts cranked up their collectors' items and climbed aboard for a trail ride to the club's cabin near Kehewin Lake and back.

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ADMIRING THE CLASSICS - An excellent crowd of spectators joined the owners of a record number of vintage snowmobiles at the Iron Horse Trail Staging Area on Saturday as the Elk Point Trail Riders hosted their most successful vintage snowmobile show to date, with excellent cooperation from the weather for the show and the ride to Kehewin Lake cabin that followed.

Demise not the end to adventures for 'Lucky Stiff'

Elk Point Community Choir's 2016 dinner theatre season off to a rollicking start

VICKI BROOKER
 Review Staff

Who ever heard of a play where the main character is shot dead roughly 30 seconds into the first act? "Lucky Stiff," a play that opened off Broadway in 1988, and opened in Elk Point on Friday night, for the first of six performances at the annual Elk Point Community Choir dinner theatre, is just that.

"Lucky Stiff" is a musical farce based on the 1983 novel, "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo," by Michael Butterworth, and the title "stiff", played silently but impeccably by John Sieben, has the time of his after-life, thanks to his cassette-taped will that insists that his potential heir, nephew Harry Witherspoon, played by Ryan Clarke, must take him in a wheelchair on a week's holiday to Monte Carlo, where they would experience all the excitement of skydiving, scuba diving, fine dining and gambling in the casino, without anyone learning that he is actually only there in body.



LUCKY STIFF! He may be dead, but the silent multi-millionaire played by John Sieben was the life of this party in glittering Monte Carlo, and his nephew, played by Ryan Clarke, makes sure of it.

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Oil Kings host Pond Hockey Festival

Elk Point Oil Kings welcomed teams from St. Paul, Mallaig, Two Hills and Wainwright to the A. G. Ross Arena on Saturday for their Pond Hockey Festival, which featured a seven game round robin, four shootouts and a mixed fun game for players under nine years of age.

Vicki Brooker photo

Firefighters to host seventh annual egg hunt

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Firefighters' Association will continue a tradition made over the past six years, as they host their seventh annual Easter Egg Hunt and complimentary pancake breakfast, on Friday, March 25 at the Fire Hall, located at 5301 Railway Ave.

This is the firefighters' way of thanking the community for their support during the year, and an event that pleases all ages, with the entire community enjoying a fine breakfast cooked up by the firefighters, before the youngsters head upstairs to hunt for Easter eggs. The breakfast begins at 9 a.m.

Each of three age groups – four and under, five to eight years and nine to 12 years, will have their own opportunity to search the firefighters' recreation room for chocolate eggs, and especially for the larger, golden egg that brings with it a special prize, one for each age group. The hunt begins at 10 a.m.



Lucky Stiff

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If Harry is successful, he will inherit \$6 million, if not, the fortune will go to the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn, a facility whose manager, Annabel Glick (Jessica Clarke, who is also the play's director) dogs Harry's steps at a discreet distance to make sure he is following every last detail of the will, and is ready to pounce if he so much as puts the wrong colour rose in the stiff's lapel.

The all-star cast also includes Jen Withers as the short-sighted shooter, who bumped off Harry's

rich uncle by mistake and Derek Ouellette as her optometrist brother, along with Shaun Sheplaw, Diana Carter, Braden Campeau, Lauren Peters, Craig Cloutier, Cheperyn Makokis, Doris Osinchuk, Erin Drolet, Cassidy Thomson, Kendel Tilley and Sydney Hardcastle, some of them playing multiple roles in this rollicking romp with a most surprising ending.

"Lucky Stiff" returns to the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre stage March 11 and 12, 18 and 19, and some tickets may still be available. Call 780-227-1420 or email elk-pointchoir@hotmail.ca for details.



Chamber intent on becoming debt free

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce has taken the first steps toward paying down the amount still owing from the building of the Visitor Information EcoCentre, with treasurer Geoff Hyslop given the go-ahead to make a \$15,000 payment on the \$150,000 balance.

The chamber hopes to bring the debt down further by selling the wind turbine, which they plan to advertise on the Internet, with the stipulation that they have the right to refuse all offers. President Jonny Nielsen plans to list all the pertinent information about the unit when it is posted for sale.

The town's lease of office space in the EcoCentre

now signed and additional rent coming in, which will cover utilities and operating expenses, and the chamber has also received the annual grant from the town to help with the cost of staffing the visitor information centre during the summer months. Nielsen reminded the members that the facility's meeting room is also available for rent on either an daily or yearly basis.

Planning is also underway for the chamber to host an open golf tournament on Saturday, July 2, with organizer Dwayne Yaremkevich reporting good response to his inquiries regarding interest from golfers and sponsors. Proceeds from the tournament would also go to pay down the loan. The date, coming right after Canada Day, will encourage visitors to stay around the community for a weekend of fun.

Another fun-filled weekend is coming up even sooner. Renita Senz told the chamber the Auto Club Show and Shine is slated for Saturday, June 4, with further details to come as the date grows nearer. That same day will feature a kids' carnival in the parking lot at the Play2Learn Daycare (former Elks Hall) and unveiling of the mural created for the Elk Point and District Early Childhood Coalition by St. Paul artist Herman Poulin and a wide range of local volunteers, with each panel focusing on an aspect of child development.

In his President's report, Nielsen indicated that he has informed the Elk Point RCMP of local concerns regarding debris falling off gravel trucks on area highways and damaging vehicles. He has also written to MLA Dave Hanson to congratulate him on his success at getting a long-delayed improvement made to a seniors' facility in Lac La Biche and expressing hope that he could expedite plans to have a back-up generator connection for the x-ray equipment at the Elk Point Health Care Centre. After seeing television news coverage of pothole repairs underway in Edmonton, he now plans to pass on concerns with potholes in local highways and oiled county roads to the appropriate authorities.

Nielsen also spoke on the need for housing for both seniors and handicapped adults. He has spoken with several seniors who expressed an interest in housing that would allow them to lead independent lives rather than living in a group setting. He plans to get information on consultants who could track down the level of interest and the type of housing needed. Melanie Poulin, who was formerly part of the town's Economic Development Committee, suggested that the town might have funding originally earmarked for economic development that would be available for this type of research.

With the current emphasis on aging in place, two chamber members have come up with a proposal to offer "care beyond home care" that would also include light housekeeping, driving clients to shop or for medical appointments and even such chores as lawn mowing, which could allow seniors who have difficulty coping with household tasks to stay in their own homes longer, thus freeing up space in seniors' facilities for those needing more assistance.

The need for additional highway commercial and other commercial lots was also on Nielsen's mind, and he feels it is time that the area between the Iron Horse Trail and Hwy. 646, between Hwy. 41 and 54 St. would be ideal for this type of development.



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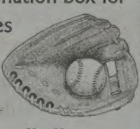
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Elementary students shine in Science Fair



GRADE 6 STUDENTS Paige Skarsen and Jessica McQuinn (above) won an Award of Excellence with 'Weird Facts About the Human Body.'



AN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE went to Grade 3s Spencer Malachowski and Ashley Lecopoy for their Tornadoes.

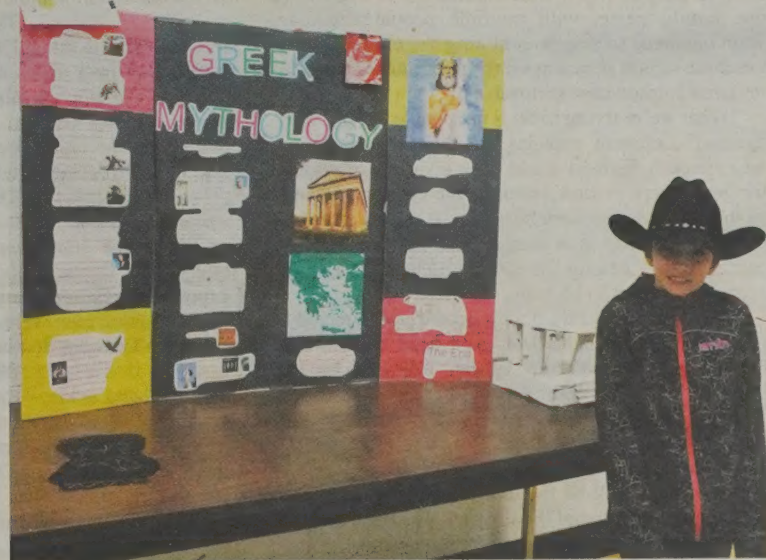
JOSHUA SMITH showed how vinegar and syrup affect eggs.



BRADY HYAMANYK, above left, shared the Grade 5 Award of Excellence on the Benefits of Minecraft with Josef Theriault, while Taylor Swedgan, above right, won a Grade 6 Award of Excellence with her portrayal of Greek Mythology.

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IT'S MAGIC! Kyra Ockerman, left, created a Magic Rainbow with a multicolored chain for her experiment.



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This session is to provide updates on Elk Point and District Policing initiatives and get Public input into policing priorities for the upcoming year.
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EDITORIAL

Cheer them on!

It is very exciting that, after a number of years without any of our minor hockey teams heading to provincials, that we have two teams heading off to what sports columnist Doug Bassett calls "The Big Show," this weekend, and more to follow next weekend. We wish them good games, good sportsmanship and good memories to bring back with them, with or without medals.

Their accomplishments to date shows hared work and dedication not only by the players, but also by the coaches and team managers. Funding for long trips such as some of the teams have to take to get to Provincials is not easy to come by, but parents and other volunteers and organizations have chipped in with donations and fundraisers to make it happen.

Go, Avalanche, go! We're all cheering for you!

RECREATION CORNER

Geocache event hits mega status

JENA COLBOURNE
Recreation Director

Lakeland Geocachers are elated with the news that their upcoming summer event, Sails, Rails & Tails, has reached Mega Status. Vicky Lefebvre, with Lakeland Geocachers, says the entire region will be showcased during five-day event in July.

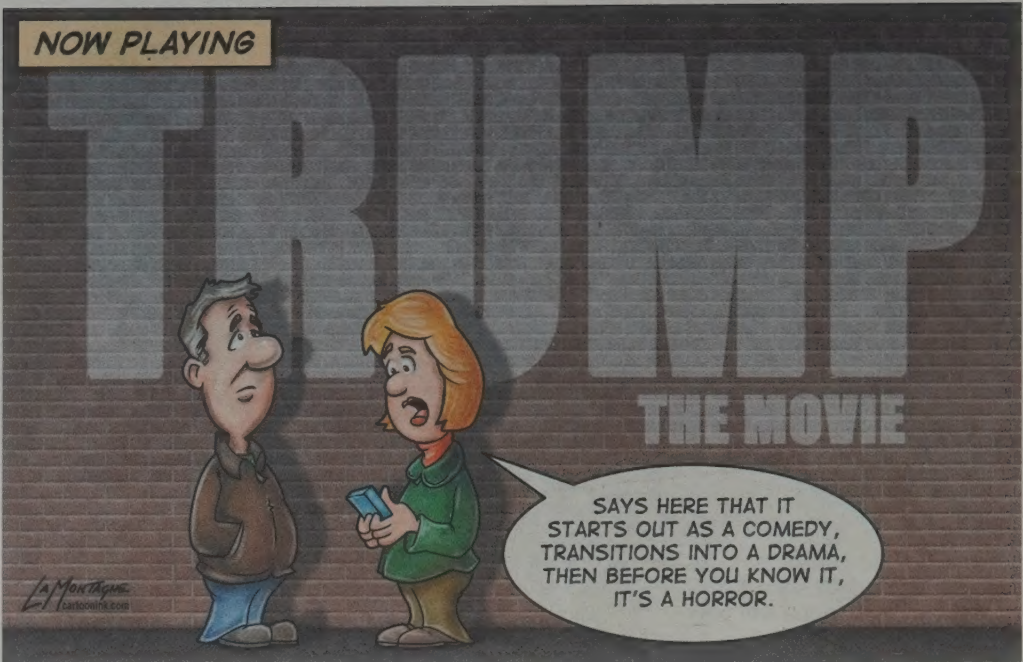
Receiving Mega Status from geocaching.com, "is similar to an \$11,000 sponsorship. They put this all over the world," explains Lefebvre who is able to see where in the world, people who have registered are from. "We have more people coming from outside of Alberta than we do from inside the province." Lefebvre jokes that Albertans are known for their last-minute plans and expects more in-province registrants to come as the entire nears.

Reaching Mega Status means at least 300 people will be attending the five-day event, likely even double those numbers. Lefebvre explains people like herself and her husband register as one name, but there are two people. Many times families will register as one family name, with multiple people attending. With hundreds of people exploring the region in July, Lefebvre says it'll be a perfect opportunities for communities to showcase themselves.

"What we're trying to do is get people to your community," Lefebvre explains the communities in the area are each distinctive and offer a variety of reasons for geocachers to stick around, "the caches are there, so they'll come and hopefully they'll stop in for a bite to eat or to shop at a store." With so many people coming to the area for the event, Lefebvre expects the economic impact to be huge.

The event starts July 6 with geocachers directed to go the Lindbergh Salt Plant, then head west to Fort George and Buckingham House, followed by Elk Point and the final destination of the day is Glendon. The next day, the treasure hunters will search for caches in and around St. Paul, then Bonnyville, and Muriel Creek Cattle Co. outside of Alexander. From July 8 to 10, Cold Lake will be the hub of activities with geocachers hunting around the fire hall, museum, and fish hatchery; there will also be midnight caching.

The Mega Event, Sails, Rails & Tails Mega Event – GC5ZFA4, will be held July 9. Lefebvre recommends registering on sailsrailstails.com, and you can order t-shirts and special edition coins when you register. Registering is your best opportunity to ensure you receive the limited print coin, which will feature Peter Fidler.



WAY BACK WHEN...

Annexation, storm drainage, showcase and showtime

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 8 IN...

1986

A land annexation hearing studied the details of an application to annex the east half of SW 1/4 -7-57-6-W4, directly east of the industrial subdivision, and NW 1/4 -7-57-6-W4, north of the industrial subdivision, with a letter expressing concerns regarding the first of these parcels passed along to the Local Authorities Board for their consideration. Elk Point's proposed general municipal plan, featuring a curved traffic collector road through residential areas and an arterial road circling the south and west boundaries was presented to the public at an open house.

1991

Town council studied a \$1.7 million infrastructure upgrading project which engineers felt still might not entirely solve Elk Point's storm drainage problems. The community cultural building society reviewed input from nine organizations, with doubts expressed by some as to the sustainability of such a facility.

1996

Eighteen small businesses, including six from the Elk Point area, were part of the St. Paul / Smoky Lake Business and Community Development Corporation's Entrepreneur Showcase at the Elks Hall. Four Edmonton men were charged after an armed robbery at the Derwent Scotiabank.

2001

Michelle Leckie, Randy Wruth and Janice Tymofichuk were named the top speakers at Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's annual public speaking competition. Liberal candidate Vital Ouellette went head-to-head with PC candidate Ray Danyluk at a pre-election forum in Heinsburg where they were quizzed on their

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views regarding agriculture, education and health care
2006



The Beverley Hillbillies, including Grannie and the banjo-playing Col. Sanders look-alike shown above, came back to the Elk Point Community Choir's dinner theatre, and the community was glad they did. The chamber of commerce train station project was back on the agenda when member Loree Aarbo brought her concept of a facility looking like the original station but with a functional interior to meet modern needs.

2011

Town council explored three options for 24/7 water supply: building a pumphouse and permanent water supply line at the existing pumping site, adding a third pump to the Town of St. Paul's pumphouse at Lac St. Cyr and building a pipeline from there, or joining the Town and County of St. Paul in a regional water system, with treated water coming from St. Paul by pipeline. The chamber of commerce agreed that Elk Point has social needs and a benevolent fund is needed to help those experiencing tragedies.

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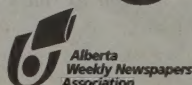
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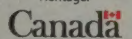
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Best minor hockey in quite a few years!

Hey everybody, its our turn to shine and to dine with some fine wine!! But let's not crack open the champagne just yet, but absolutely have some sitting on the ice getting really to pop the cork. This year all of our teams played so well they deserve the sweet taste of victory. This is really awesome, the way our minor hockey teams have been peaking at the right time and playing the best hockey we have seen here for quite a few years. Usually we may have one, and sometimes two teams doing fairly well, but to have all of them playing this great is really special.



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BASSETT

Review Sports

Bantam Avalanche will play for league banner

Our Bantam team won the best two-out-of-three North East League North series against St. Paul this past week and will now go on to play the south winners, Provost, for the North East Tier two championship banner; the first game is here Thursday night. It was a very closely matched series, and not an easy battle but our guys managed to come out of it on top, fortunately winning the first two games and not having to play a third one. In St Paul on Wednesday night, the Avalanche winning 4 to 3. Total team effort in this one, scoring one goal each, Hayden 'Hot Wheels' Ludlage, Nicholas 'Sparky' Anderson, Chase 'Chopper' Dorey and Bradley 'Diesel' Canning. Assists by 'Hank the Tank' Rogal, Angus 'Micky' McFarlane, and Dylan 'he Destroyer' Ference. Friday night back on home ice, it was another barn-burner, the Avalanche winning a really tight one, this time 3 to 2. 'Sparky' with the first one, the 'Destroyer' doing damage with two goals including the winner late in the third, 'Hot Wheels' with a couple of helpers, 'Micky', 'Diesel' and Wolke 'Wolfman' Cueva with an assist each as well. Terrific goaltending by Colton 'Colt 45' Van Maarion who held down the fort. And I must say, the most amazing thing about this team is the fact that they have played full body contact hockey all year with only 10 skaters in the lineup, and as they say in jolly old England, "Well done lads!"

Oh, yes, let's not forget we have a young lady playing Bantam full contact hockey... 'Raging Paige' Henderson. But don't dare ever tell her she plays like a girl or you will regret it! More about these guys next week in our special player profile section before they go off to the provincial final in High Level.

Peewee Avalanche win North East League title

The Peewee team was in a real dog-fight as well, against Lloydminster for the North East League Tier Two league banner. After winning last week's north division, they chewed it out Friday night in the border city right to the bitter end; the game getting a little nasty and rough, the young officials had their hands full trying to keep this one under control. With the game tied 2-all after 40 minutes, the Avalanche came out flying in the third, taking a 7 to 4 win. Team captain 'Lightning Liam' Ludlage with two goals and two assists, Jaden 'Jet Stream' Van Maarion with two goals and two assists, 'Danny Boy' Cardinal, Charlie 'Little Angel' Rogal and 'King Cole' Bendixen with one goal each. On Saturday night back here at home, the peewees didn't waste any time or take the Blazers for granted; they came out on a mission to finish this series here at home and dominated most the game, winning 6 to 3. 'Lightning Liam' with two goals and two

assists, 'Little Angel' with two goals, one of them while shorthanded, Jace the 'Stafford Streak' going coast to coast for one, and Dallas 'Cowboy' Bristow with a one timer from the slot. Jadey 'the Lady' Capjack played a great game in the defensive zone battling for the puck, she's on the score sheet with an assist, the two big power forwards, 'Danny Boy' and 'Jet Stream' with one assist each too. Two of the three Lloyd goals were scored on the power play, so the Avalanche may be doing a little touch up work on the PK at this week's practice.

This coming weekend the peewee team is heading north to Boyle to the provincial finals, their first game starting on Friday at 11 a.m. Good Luck guys! Huge high five for head coach Marty Bendixen. He's been to the provincial finals a few times before as a player, in fact he was a big part of our 1995 bantam gold medal winning team; he knows what kind of sacrifices you have to make and commitment its going to take to win. And to his assistants, Tyson Stafford and Tyler Warawa and to team manager Candace Bendixen, great job, you guys. As for the players, they are about as talented as any team anywhere, be sure to read all about them in our special player profile edition this week. I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I did writing them up!



THE PEEWEE GIRLS STORM wound up the season with a big win over the Knotty Girls recreation team, the game refereed by none other than our Sportsound!

Midget Avalanche headed to Provincials

Our Midget team had this past weekend off as they healed up some injured players and prepared to go to provincials this coming weekend in Provost. In fact, their first game is only two days from now, Thursday at 5 p.m. Great job by all the boys and you can read all about them in their special bio section as well. Hats off to head coach Dwayne Odgaard, his assistants Quintin Hunter and Rodney Graus and manager Twilla Stafford, who also deserve a pat on the back for all their time and commitment getting the boys to the big show. Good luck boys!!!

Atom No. 1

Head coach Robyn Moroziuk from the Atom No. 1 team would like to thank his assistants Jon Kadutski and Travis Hymanyk and manager Melissa Rogal and all the parents and especially the kids for the great year. The Atom No. 1 team traveled to Pierceland and played one last exhibition game on this past Friday. We didn't get any results or game sheet but the word on the street was that it was a very rough game.



THE VERY PROUD PEEWEE AVALANCHE display their League Championship banner after defeating Lloydminster for the title.

Novice Avalanche takes on Bonnyville

The Novice team played a game Sunday at home against Bonnyville. Madden 'Mad Dog' Flamand scored the only goal for the Avalanche. 'Good Time' Charlie Lesyk behind the mask in net for the Avalanche was bombarded with enough rubber to build the Goodyear Blimp. Terrific year for these guys as well, thanks to head coach Conrad Pierce, his assistants Tim Smereka, Megan Tucker and Robyn Hoeving and to the manager Kara Hoeving. And a very good friend of mine and former Elk Point minor hockey coach, Jerry Kopeck was at this game. His grandson, a Pontiac player named Carter Hughes scored a hat trick. Grandpa told him he knew a sportswriter

Wyatt 'Earp' Fontaine and Boe Johnson with one each. Thanks to head coach Jeff Morgan, and his assistants, Willie Lesyk, Jonny Kadutski and to the team manager Tara Cameron for doing such a great job in your rookie year behind the bench.

Atom No. 2 win best-of three, going to league finals

Heartbreak hotel for the Atom No. 2 team this past Sunday night, when they lost the final provincial two-game, total-point series to Marwayne. Marwayne will now go on to Grimshaw to represent Zone 2 in the provincial final in two weeks. Needing to win the second game by two goals, they tied the two game series a number of times, tied after the first and again after the second period, but powered out in the third and lost the game in the end by two. Tough to take and words will not fix the hurt these guys felt after the game, but they did play their hearts out and we are all very proud of them. And it's not all bad news, this team is still playing in league playoffs, taking the north title of the North East league, winning the best-of-three game series against Mallaig this past week. On Tuesday here a home they had no problem at all with a huge 11 to 3 win. Mallaig actually outshot our team 34 to 32 but little 'Kid Kade' Fontaine came up huge in this one, shutting the door. In the second game in Mallaig on Friday night our guys had a very short bench, one player was missing the game because he was sick, another three coming to the game hacking and coughing, but hey, they still came through, winning 4 to 2. 'Mic Jager' Fontaine scoring all four of the goals, Cee Jay Quinney, Cash 'CC' Capjack, Landon 'the Magnificent' Malachowski and Josef 'Big Red' Theriault all helping the cause with and assist. This coming week they will play the winner of the south here on Thursday night in a best-of-three game series... against none other than the same Marwayne team they had just lost out to in provincials.

And now for the K A Campbell quote of the week. "The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand." Last week's answer to: "Find the good. It's all around you. Find it, showcase it and you'll start believing in it." -Jesse Owens

Check out who's going to Peewee and Midget Provincials - See the Player Profiles on Pages 6 and 7!

er who maybe would put his name in the paper. He plays a lot like his granddaddy did with the B and R Bullets, nose to the grindstone, but I must say he's much more talented at scoring.

Peewee Girls Storm wind up with a win

The Peewee Girls Storm had a wind-up party this past Wednesday at practice and played against the Knotty Girls women's recreation team, winning the game by a score of 6 to 4. Scoring her first career hat trick for the women's team was none other than the Storm assistant coach, Jena 'Princess' Colbourne who said this was the toughest competition their women's team had played all year. Her daddy-o, the sports hound also promised she would make it in the paper this week too! Can't let her down, she's still the 'Princess'!

Micro Novice

Our Micro Novice team played in St. Paul on the weekend; these little guys have come a long way since the beginning of the year when some of them couldn't even stand up on skates. Braylee 'BJ' Lesyk and Riley 'Coyote' Bourne with two goals each.

Heading to 2016 Hockey Provincials...



Carson 'Captain Crunch' Ference

The team captain, terrific leader who truly motivate his team mates. Big physical defenseman who can play through painful injuries, has a blistering shot



Dylan 'Dead Eye' Odgaard

Fearless, great size and strength he plays a physical game, heart and soul player who sees the ice well, has above average passing skills, deadly accurate shot.



'Warrior Warren' Ference

Rugged, hard-nosed, a first year defenseman who loves to battle in the trenches, doesn't panic, can carry the puck out of the zone



'Awesome Alex' Hunter

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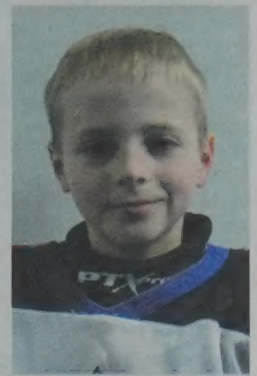
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Elk Point churches mark World Day of Prayer

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The women of four Elk Point churches presented a touching service written by the women of Cuba on Friday evening, as the community marked the annual World Day of Prayer.

Following opening remarks by Bernadette Godlein, the congregation

welcomed a procession of women and girls with flowers in their hair, some playing tambourines and led by Lesia Porcina with a tray of tropical fruits. Mary Bezpalko, Val Goulet and Sheena Panganiban opened the service with an introduction to the Cuba that lies beyond the popular resorts and vacation spots. It is a world where

churches were kept open during the Communist regime, although few came to worship, and where grandmothers passed the word of God on to their grandchildren. It is a world where women work at the jobs, with their churches and with their families, united in their creativity and the struggle for survival. It is a land where

young women are able to become educated but still cannot earn enough to cover all the needs of their families and yearn for a more promising future.

Three young girls, Brittany Walton, Lauryn Smith and Sharienne Ginez, spoke of life in the three regions of Cuba, their love of attending church, playing with their friends and attending school.

Godlein and Lauryn Smith led the congregation through the call to worship, and Brittany Walton led the Prayer of Invocation. Shirley Kvill, with the help of Sharienne Ginez, led the Prayer of Confession.

Readings from the Old and New Testaments by Lesia Porcina, Marie Srdic and Marlene Lakusta were followed by a message by Father

Girard, who although he has never visited that nation, feels that "when you go to a resort, it is so easy to enjoy the resort without seeing the real Cuba."

For years after the embargo put in place in the early 1960s, few Americans visited Cuba, a major change from the 1930s when it was a playground for the Americans who treated the people like their slaves, the priest said, "Until Castro said, 'Enough.' Since then, Cubans have been trying to swim to Florida to escape Communism, and dying in the attempt."

Father Gerard said he had experienced a taste of communism when he spent some time living in Poland, "There were a lot of parallels between Poland and Cuba, and a lot resented the Communist efforts." In a city near Krakow, a church was secretly built in the midst of a walled city, and "the Communists thought they were running the country but they weren't. Outdoors all was plain, but in homes there was beauty. Their land was all growing food for themselves and others."

One can certainly see the influence of grand-

mothers who kept the faith alive in these Communist countries, he said. "In the Ukraine, churches were closed, but people kept the holy water hidden in their homes, adding to it so it never ran out, for 70 years. They had the baptismal records hidden to protect them from harm, and faith survived in spite of Communism."

Those years of exile were like the early church, Father Girard said. "For 300 years, there were waves of persecution, even feeding Christians to the lions, but faith persevered. The faith of the grandmothers kept it alive. Their faith in Jesus persevered and Christianity has survived."

Referring to the Bible readings, the priest said that today, people keep their children away from Jesus and the church with the theory that they will make their own choices. "Thank God for the children in our lives with their solutions to life's problems. The evangelists in Cuba are often the children."

The ladies and girls who took part in the processional also provided special music during the collection of the offering. This was followed by prayers of thanksgiving and intercession, with the young girls, Holly Myshaniuk, Sheena Panganiban and Val Goulet all taking part. Following final words from Bernadette Godlein, Father Girard ended the service with the benediction.

Tea and some lucky shamrocks

ELK POINT MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Review Contributor

It's a great week to stop by Elk Point Municipal Library! You'll want to check out the special books that are wrapped up in black paper and adorned with shamrocks. Some of those shamrocks will earn the person that checks out that book a prize, so come and try your luck! We also have a great selection of new arrivals for you to enjoy.

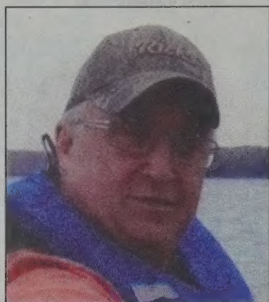
There are also some exciting contests for both adults and children currently underway, and adults, yours is a coloring contest!

Tomorrow is the monthly Library Tea, with good food and good conversation on the menu, so make sure you stop by about 2 p.m. to join in the fun.

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OBITUARY

GARNER, Sylvia



It is with heartfelt sadness that the family of Sylvia Garner announces her passing on January 7, 2016 at the age of 83 years in Elk Point, AB. Sylvia was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, Gil Garner, in 2010. They farmed in southern Alberta for many years before moving to Elk Point in the 1970's, where they continued farming. She will be lovingly remembered by her 6 brothers, Jack (Mary), Gord (Kathy), York (Kathy), Gerry (Katy), Ray (Anny), Les (Christine); sister, Muriel (Bryan) & numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister, June. Sylvia was surrounded by and cared for by many loving friends in Elk Point to whom the family is very grateful. The family also wishes to extend a thank you to Elk Point Healthcare Centre and Parkview Longterm Care. An Open House will be held on Saturday, March 19 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Elk Point Seniors Centre, Elk Point. If desired, donations may be made to Salvation Army or Elk Point Healthcare Centre c/o 5626 - 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

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WOLANUK, Steve



On March 2, 2016, Mr. Steve Wolanuk of Elk Point passed away at the age of 74 years. He is survived by his companion, Muriel Ducharme; son, Duane (Trina) of Sherwood Park; daughter, Joanne (Dylan) Gerlack of Sherwood Park; 7 grandsons, Ty, Cole, Kaden, Owen, Parker, Carsten & Ryken; loving mother, Annie Wolanuk of St. Paul; 2 brothers, William (Sylvia) Wolanuk of Lloydminster & Raymond (Barbara) Wolanuk of Two Hills; numerous nieces & nephews. He was predeceased by his father, John Wolanuk; & sister-in-law, Eleanor. A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, March 8 at 10:30 a.m. at Allied Arts Centre, Elk Point. Pastor Kelly Sibley will be officiating, with interment in Pochayiw Cemetery, Stoney Lake. If desired, donations may be made to S.T.A.R.S. Foundation c/o 5626 - 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1.

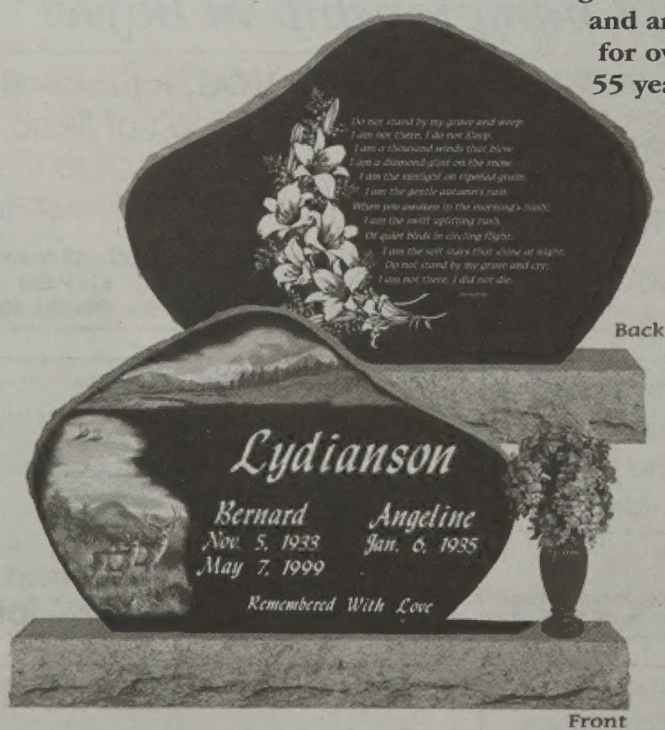
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SINGING AS ONE FAITH - Women and girls from Elk Point's United, Roman Catholic, Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox churches join their voices in praise at the World Day of Prayer service at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Friday with Gabe Bayduza at the organ.

Kindness in action: housing Dominican poor

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Back in 1988, a very poor desperate man in the Dominican Republic received a vision that God would send a man from a country with snow to help his country's poor.

Some time later, a whisper came to a Canadian visiting that country as he walked through a slum area and was appalled at the conditions he saw.

"What are you going to do about it?" the quiet whisper in his head asked. "I can build them a house," was his answer, more than 25 years ago. Thus started a massive humanitarian project that continues to help that country's poorest residents.

Italian immigrant Elio Madonia had come to Canada with nothing, and understood all too well what poverty was. The church had helped him make a start on a new life that led to becoming a successful businessman with many connections, and he felt it was now time to help others.

He met with the mayor of that impoverished community, and was given a small piece of land on which he built small homes for some of the unfortunates, then bought another piece of land and built some more. He established the Samaritan Foundation (not to be confused with Samaritan's Purse), and as the story caught on, many came to see and to help with the project, which over the past 25 years, has built 1,500 homes in 12 villages, along with 12 churches, eight schools and six medical clinics.

His story came to Elk Point United Church on Sunday, Feb. 28, brought by Shirley Kvill, who was one of the

volunteers who has been involved in the project. "It's quite a Canadian story." She became involved through her daughter and son-in-law, owners of Progressive Home Warranties, who visited the Dominican in 2006 and agreed to supply lumber for some of the homes. At that time, three villages had been built, Kvill said. She was there when the company bought land and her daughter broke ground to begin a 13th village, "a very proud moment for me."

Kvill told the congregation that the

Kvill said she "went into this a little wildly." She first had to raise \$5,000 before she and 22 other volunteers left Canada on Oct. 2, each also taking a suitcase of donations, with those suitcases of everything from school supplies to kitchen tools shipped free of charge by West Jet. The volunteers went to work at various building and completion tasks, she said. She was part of a crew that painted window frames in the shade of the building, but some workers installed tin roofs in 34-degree heat.

to visit a Haitian-Dominican slum with very narrow streets where Haitians who came to work in the cane fields live in squalor.

Missionaries, including two from Cold Lake, help by bringing the residents food three days a week, and a baby program supplies mothers with diapers and pablum. A pregnancy centre teaches young first-time mothers how to care for their babies, and there is a medical clinic where patients arrive as early as 6 a.m. in order to get one of a limited amount of numbers handed out by the cleaning lady that will allow them to see the doctor that day. Kvill took four baby quilts donated by Verona Lea Flanders to the pregnancy centre and helped to restock the shelves at the medical clinic with donated supplies.

The church in each village is the site of the house lottery. One hundred families have their names in a draw drum, and 50 names are drawn, then 10 more. The rest of the names remain in the barrel, with others added, and Kvill says "some of the names are in the barrel for years." The volunteers had the opportunity to visit three families in their existing houses, which she said were "indescribable."

Kvill took with her a \$300 donation from the church, which was doubled by Progressive Home Warranties, and that amount doubled again by the Foundation, resulting in enough to build one quarter of a house. Other ways to help are donations of expired medication, which clinics there will use for up to two additional years, unopened shampoo and soap from hotel stays, baby and toddler clothing and quilts, toiletries, school supplies, and of course, cash.



SOUVENIRS TO CHERISH - Shirley Kvill displayed books, photos and other memorabilia from her working visit to the Dominican Republic, where she worked on a crew building homes for the poor.

recipient of one of the homes must dig a hole for a septic tank, and must keep the house clean and grow a garden, then, after five years, the woman of the family receives the title, which ensures that the family is cared for if the man leaves the household.

Other groups worked on churches and schools, she noted. "There are a lot of people involved."

During her visit, she purchased jewelry and Christmas ornaments made by some of the villagers as a source of income, and also had the opportunity

Recycle, recycle!

Elk Point Municipal Library's Tuesday craft group tried out a new craft recently, cutting discarded t-shirts into strips that could be knitted or crocheted into everything from bags to floor mats, an endeavour which one participant said took recycling to a whole new level, and was fun, too.





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BUSY DAY AT THE STAGING AREA - Bernie Poitras (above far right) auctioned off the Midget Avalanche hockey team in a fundraiser for their provincials trip; viewers by the dozen admired the long lines of vintage snowmobiles and voted for their favourites, with trophies presented to the winners at the end of the day (top left).

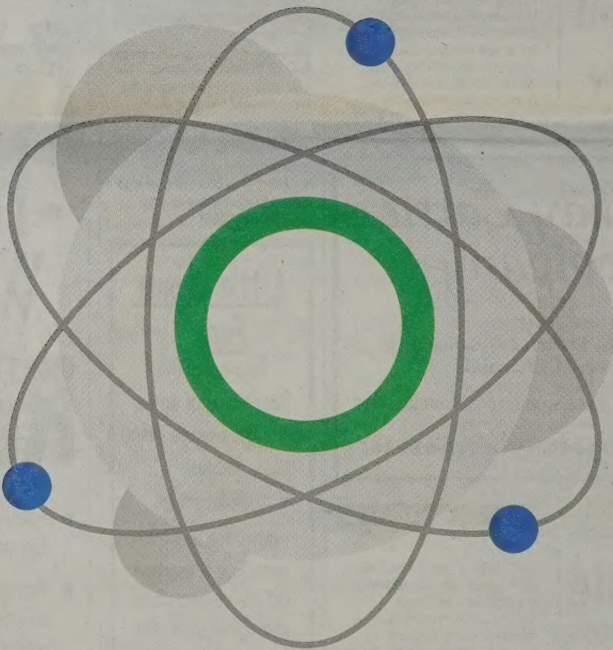
Sleds

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Some didn't make the entire trip, with one machine giving up just one kilometer out of town and another dozen hauled back rather than returning under their own steam. The Hard Luck trophy sponsored by 640 Earthworks went to Richard Ludwig of Mannville, whose 1971 Sno Pony balked at the 1 km mark. Ludwig then made his way back for his alternative means of transport, a very unique one-ski, narrow track 1979 Chrysler Snow Runner that was up to the challenge of the trail, and earned him a special prize at the conclusion of the event.

At the end of the ride, the results of voting by both spectators and club members were announced and trophies donated by Knotty Boyz Embroidering and Gifts, Husky Truck Stop, Big M Mechanical, Shadow Creek Bookkeeping, RONA and Lakeland Realty were presented to the winners. The club members voted John Fedoruk's 1974 Arctic Cat from Myrnam as their favourite, with Darren Yaceyko of Derwent taking home second place for his 1973 Raider and Bob Myroniuk of Myrnam and his 1975 MotoSki placing third. The spectators also chose Yaceyko's sled for second place, with Clint Jacula's 1971 Arctic Cat declared the number one People's Choice and Austin Axley's 1975 SkiDoo placing third.

The day's oldest rider was 78-year-old Gordon Thor of Edmonton, who took home the Jeep Headz trophy, while the youngest riders were the brother and sister team of Noah and Tori Stark, who shared the trail ride on their 1975 Kitty Cat and won the AJ's Car Wash trophy. This year's Red Green trophy, sponsored by Hoffman Mechanical, went to David Bartenek of Owlseye and his 1972 Polaris Colt.



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